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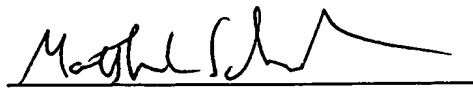
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In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the accompanying information is being submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

In a corresponding application filed in Russia, an Official Action was issued citing USSR Inventor's Certificate No. 1188033 issued on October 30, 1985. The Examiner comments that this document discloses an axlebox-spring-unit of a railway bogie comprising at least one hydraulic spring having a housing required to a functionality of the hydraulic spring and an axlebox, wherein at least a part of the axlebox forms at least a part of the housing. The Russian Examiner concluded that the subject matter of Claim 1 does not meet the novelty requirement under Russian law. Further, the Russian Examiner commented that features recited in dependent Claims 9-11 and 17-19 are known from Japanese Patent No. 11-278263. A copy of the Official Action issued by the Russian Patent Office is enclosed together with a copy of Russian Inventor's Certificate No. 1188033, and an English language translation of such inventor's Certificate. Also enclosed is a copy of Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 11-278263.

In an Official Action issued by the Chinese Patent Office, the Examiner cited two documents as being relevant to the claimed subject matter -- GB 931588 and EP 1369616. These two documents were cited in the International Search Report of the corresponding International Application, as well as the first Information Disclosure Statement filed in this application. Thus, such documents are not being cited once again. However, attached is a

copy of the Official Action issued by the Chinese Patent Office, together with an English language translation.

To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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